

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

FRANCIS SMITH et al., :
v. : CIVIL ACTION
THE COMMUNIST : No. 20-1958
PARTY OF CHINA, ET AL :
Defendant.

ORDER

AND NOW, this 1st day of October 2024, it is **ORDERED** that, on or before March 27, 2025, the parties must provide a status update regarding the continued presence or absence of the reasons why this case is unable to proceed to trial without delay.

s/ANITA B. BRODY, J.
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